

Church Crookham Parish Council

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Hello from your councillors

Hello Church Crookham,

I have been a parish councillor since 2016 representing Crookham East ward. I am currently the Chair of the Staffing committee; but have been Vice Chair of Finance, and previously on both the planning and facilities committees.

As a council we have been involved with the new Esso pipeline which has caused some disruption to our land at Peter Driver Sports Ground, Wakefords Copse and the SANG. Regular meetings have taken place between the landowners (Parish Council) and the contractors throughout the process. We are nearing the end!! We are busy working on a range of projects - moving forward with the sensory garden outside the community centre; working with Fleet and Crookham Athletics Club on the running track on Crookham Park, which will leave some space at Peter Driver Sports Ground; the upgrading of the Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) for basketball on Crookham Park and resurfacing the MUGA at Peter Driver.

Our Annual Parish meeting will be held on 10th May 2023, at the Church Crookham Community Centre, so do come along, meet us and share your ideas. More details enclosed. **Everyone is welcome.**

Finally I would like to remind you that elections will be taking place for Hart District Council on Thursday 4th May 2023. (The force be with you - for Star Wars fans). If you have not registered to vote, and are eligible to do so, I would encourage you to register at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote before midnight 17th April. You will also need to bring Photographic ID to the polling station in order to vote.

See: <https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/voter/voter-id> for further information.



Debbie Moss

Key Dates

Parish Council Meeting Dates

Meetings held at the community centre

- Tuesday 11th April** - Planning Committee at 7.30pm
- Monday 24th April** - Planning Committee at 7.30pm, followed by Full Council Meeting from 7.45pm
- Tuesday 9th May** - Planning Committee at 7.30pm
- Wednesday 10th May** - Annual Parish Meeting at 7pm
- Tuesday 30th May** - Planning Committee at 7.30pm, followed by Annual Meeting of the Full Council Meeting from 7.45pm

Residents welcome, please email clerk@churchcrookham.org.uk to let us know you will be coming along

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Community Corner - Crookham Almshouse Charity

Did you know that there have been almshouses next to Christ Church on Gally Hill Road since the 1850s?

The current building dates back to the 1980s and is run by a group of trustees. The charity provides almshouse accommodation for 16 local people, male or female, with no age restrictions. The charity works closely with the housing

department at Hart District Council, to ensure that individuals with the most need are considered. Trustees are made up of a Hart District councillor, parish councillors appointed from Church Crookham, Crookham Village and Ewshot and co-opted members and the day-to-day running of the charity is undertaken by a Clerk.



The Crookham Alms houses



PCSO Beat Surgeries



PCSO Sam will be running regular beat surgeries from the lobby at the Church Crookham Community Centre, on Boyce Road, Crookham Park. Pop along to say hi, get some crime

prevention advice or discuss any concerns that you may have. Future beat surgeries:

Tuesday 25th April from 1.30pm to 7pm

Tuesday 23rd May from 1.30pm to 7pm

All Hampshire Police's events and community engagements can be found by visiting:

www.hampshire.police.uk/area/your-area/hampshire/hart/fleet/about-us/top-reported-crimes-in-this-area

New Voter ID Rules

From 4th May 2023, you will need to show ID when voting in the local elections. You will need to bring along photo ID to be able to vote at a polling station.

For further information visit:

www.gov.uk/how-to-vote/photo-id-youll-need

The parish council has information booklets available at our offices at the community centre, Boyce Road, Church Crookham, GU52 8AQ.



Parish Council Annual Parish Meeting

Join the parish council on **Wednesday 10th May at 7pm** for the Annual Parish Meeting. Pop along to the Church Crookham Community Centre to meet your parish councillors, find out what we have been up to for the last 12 months and what our plans are for your community in 2023/2024. We have lots of projects planned that you can get involved in. Refreshments provided. We look forward to seeing you.



**CHURCH CROOKHAM
PARISH COUNCIL**

Dangers of dog fouling

Our wonderful grounds maintenance team are very invested in the spaces in Church Crookham that they look after and they do a fantastic job! We want to protect our staff and contractors working outside and this includes against dog fouling. Picking up your dog's poo and disposing of it properly is the law. It prevents people from accidentally walking in it and taking it back home or coming into contact with it, which can transmit quite a number of harmful diseases to people and other animals. Even healthy dogs can carry diseases in their poo. Harmful diseases include E-coli, salmonella, campylobacter and intestinal worms among many others.

Please help us keep Church Crookham clean by cleaning up your dog's poo and disposing of it properly. There is no excuse if you're caught short without dog poop bags as emergency supplies are provided by the parish council and are located outside the community centre, at Peter Driver Sports Ground and Azalea park. Bagged dog waste can be disposed of in any of the 34+ parish council owned bins that are dotted around Church Crookham. If you have any concerns about dog fouling, please contact clerk@churchcrookham.org.uk



Mark and his team do a wonderful job of our grounds maintenance

Aldershot & Fleet Rugby Club



At Aldershot & Fleet Rugby club, the aim is to introduce Rugby in a positive way. There is a place for all levels of skill and expertise, and

they encourage a culture where rugby can be played and enjoyed by all ages, regardless of gender or ability. The club is committed to creating a rugby environment where Teamwork, Respect, Enjoyment, Discipline and Sportsmanship (TREDs) are key with all our players talents being developed—with a major focus on FUN!

The club trains at Aldershot Park, and attracts players from all local areas including Church Crookham and Fleet. They are looking to continue the growth of the junior section (4 years to 16 years), so if your child wants to try rugby, come along as they will get 4 free sessions! Contact the coaches at aandfrufc@gmail.com

More information regarding the club can be found at:

www.aldershotandfleetrugby.com

Tennis in Church Crookham

Did you know that we have two lovely tennis courts in Church Crookham? Located on Crookham Park, not far from the community centre, they have been provided for residents use. Membership is £40 per household, per year for unlimited play or £5 per hour booking. Booking is via our website at www.churchcrookham.org.uk/tennis/

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Church Crookham Sports Festival



Join us as a community to celebrate our wonderful outdoor, sporting facilities and the opening of the new athletics track on **Saturday 20th May 2023** from 12pm onwards at Crookham Park. There will be lots of sports demonstrations and coaching including tennis, athletics and basketball and much much more.....! The event will include a summer craft market, food and drinks, fun for the kids and more!

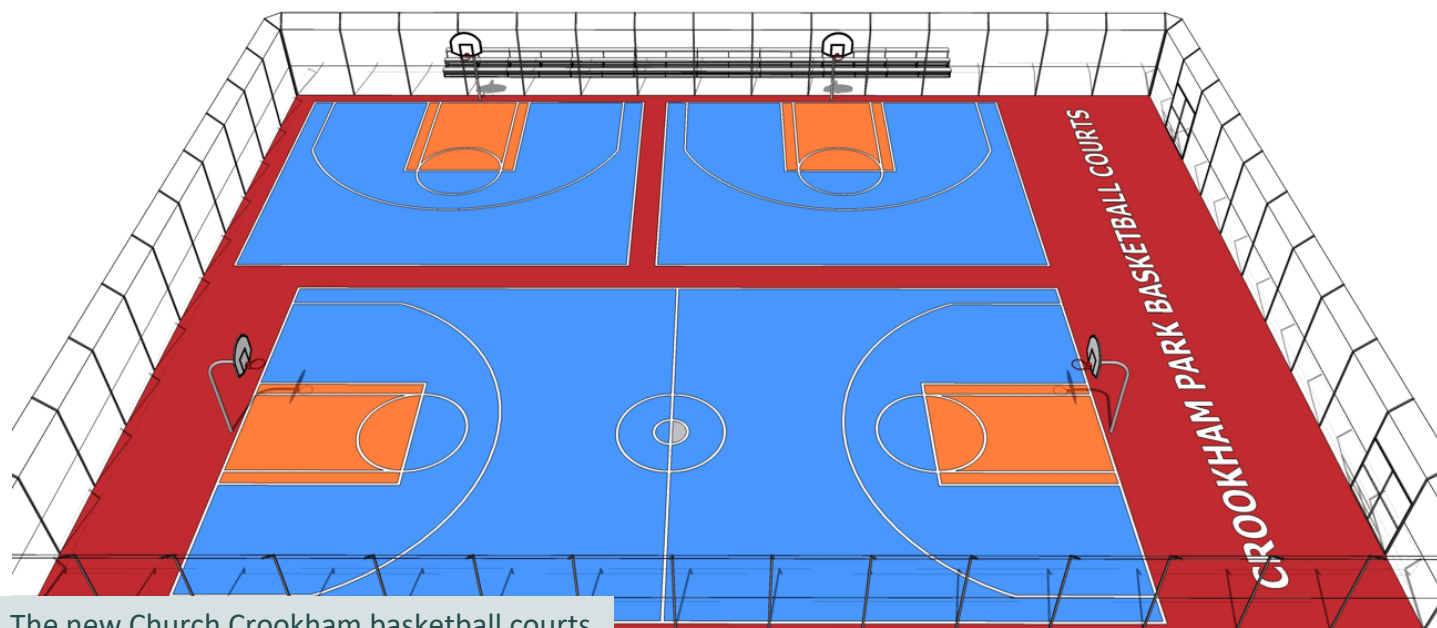


If you would like a free market stall for selling or fundraising, please contact : events@churchcrookham.org.uk

If you are involved in a local sports club and would like to take part or you are a resident who would like to volunteer to help at this event, please contact us at: events@churchcrookham.org.uk

Basketball in Church Crookham

COMING SOON TO CHURCH CROOKHAM! We have been busy organising a refurbishment of the multi-use games pitch situated on Crookham Park and are pleased to present our plans for vibrant basketball courts that will remain free to use. The area will comprise of a full court and two half courts, so plenty of capacity for the playing of lots of basketball. We are hoping that the works will be complete by 20th May in time for our community sports festival, so we can showcase the new courts and residents can take part in some basketball coaching. Our thanks to Fleet Flyers Basketball club for raising this initiative with us and helping us create this great space to ensure that greater numbers can enjoy the sport in our local area. Fleet Flyers is a local club aiming to promote the sport and has been working with schools over a number of years to encourage greater participation.



The new Church Crookham basketball courts will be a great vibrant space to play

